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SHORT NOTES.

L. Godbolt, representing J. & T. Bell, manufacturers of fine shoes, Montreal, has returned east, after a successful business visit to the provincial cities.

THE wreck of the Nova Scotia bark Sarah off the British Columbia coast, once more raises the question of the appliances and facilities of the Marine Department upon the Pacific coast. Are they what they should be, if, indeed, they are at all proportionate with those that have been so lavishly bestowed upon the Atlantic

THE net public debt of Canada in 1880 was \$152,451,588, and in 1890 \$287,533,212, an increase of \$85,081,624. During that decade the following expenditures were made:—Railways, \$67,069,152; canals, \$15,507,380; public buildings, \$8,407,481; other public works, \$13,898,132—a total of \$104,522,145, or \$19,440,521 more than the increase of the public debt.

THE Dominion Minister of Finance is thus reported to have expressed himself on the question of trade relations with the United States:—"On the whole I gather that the McKinley Bill stands a fair chance to remain the law for several years, and without doubt the agricultural clauses will be fully maintained. This will preclude anyone concluding that a change to the advantage of agricultural products and their admission into the United States will be brought about by Congressional legislation. It does not follow, however, that it will change the status of the reciprocity question. The United States Cabinet and Congress may retain their present tariff intact, and yet be willing and able to make an agreement with Canada whereby for mutual advantage the tariff on certain conditions may be reduced or abolished. It depends upon the willingness of the United States to enter into negotiations with that end in view. The probability is they will result in an arrangement which could be accepted with honor and advantage." It is understood that next month a trade conference will take place between representatives of Canada and the United States.

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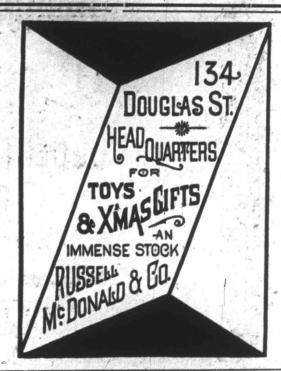
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